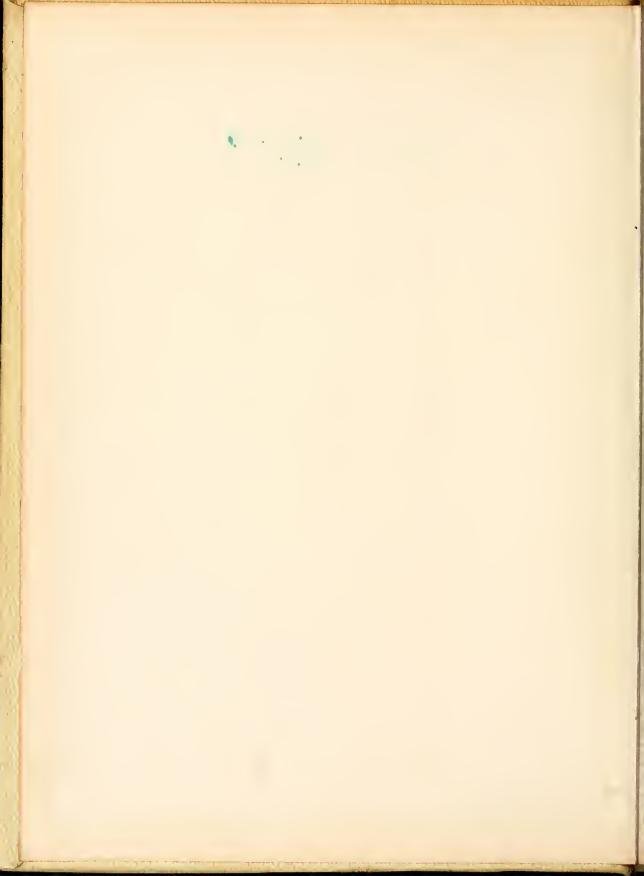


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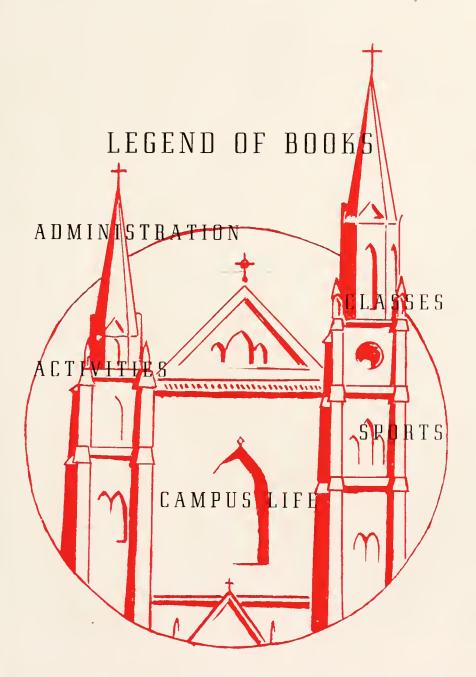
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FOREWORD

One thing all of us wish to keep forever is our youth. Sometimes people will go to ridiculous extremes in an effort to hold or regain it. Men have vainly sought mythical fountains of youth. Dorian Gray, in Wilde's allegory, stayed young while his portrait grew old. Faust traded his soul that he might be young again. The theme is probably as old as man, but in spite of everything we may do, youth flies from us all, and once gone, it never returns.

And yet, we can't keep our youth, but we can keep and treasure the memory of it. That may not be quite what we want, but it's the next best thing.

This is a book of memories. Between its covers we may stem time's flow for a brief, sweet moment: the Tucke Shop and the Cathedral, cramming for exams and week-ends in Charlotte, dances in the gym and a date at Bentley's, books and more books, Father Joe's physics lab and that horrible race-horse music they played in the morning. Some are pleasant—some aren't. All are worth a nostalgic smile. It's memory now.





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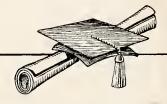


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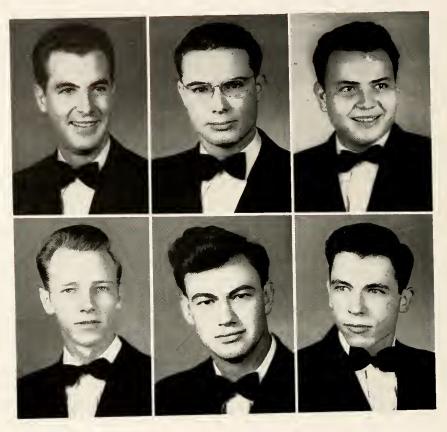
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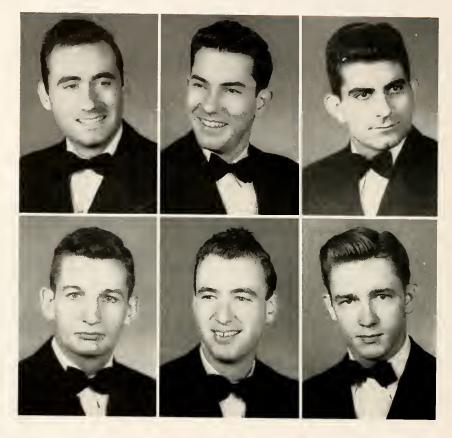
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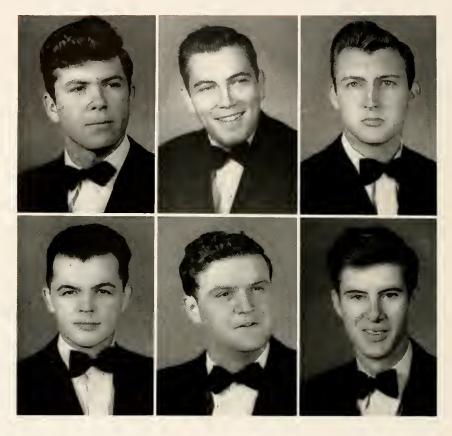
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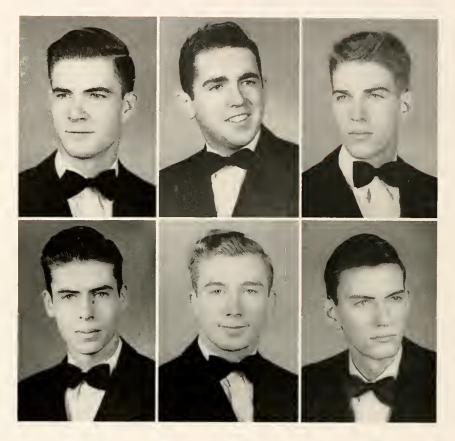
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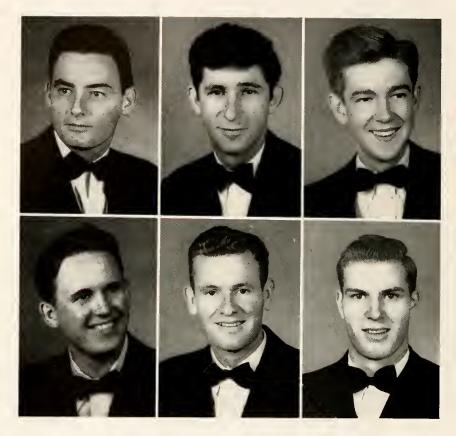
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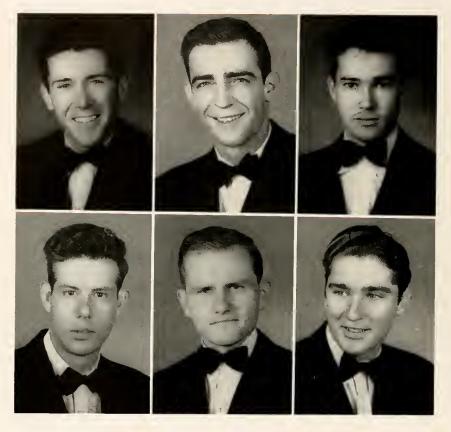
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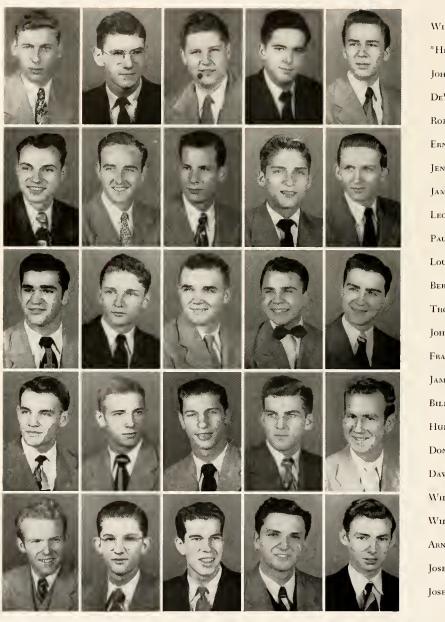


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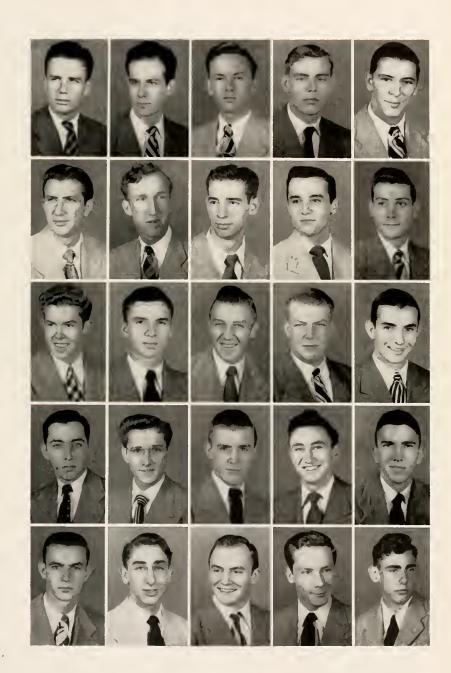
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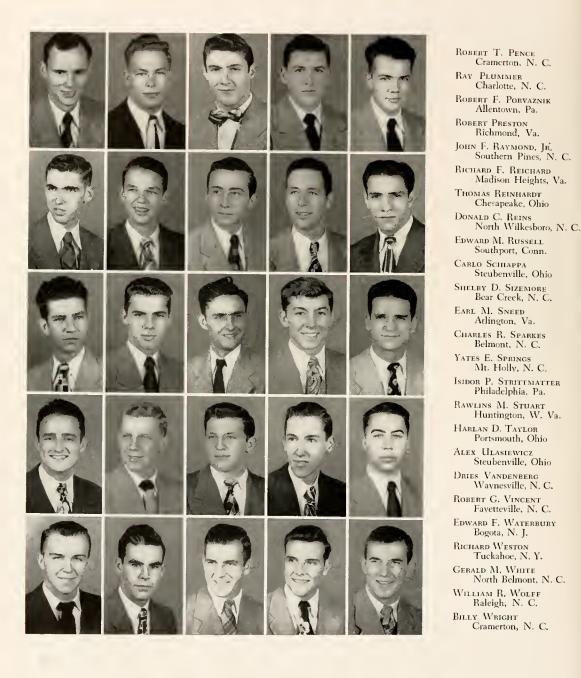
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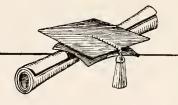


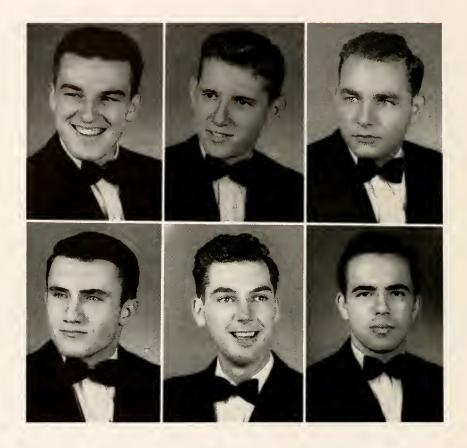
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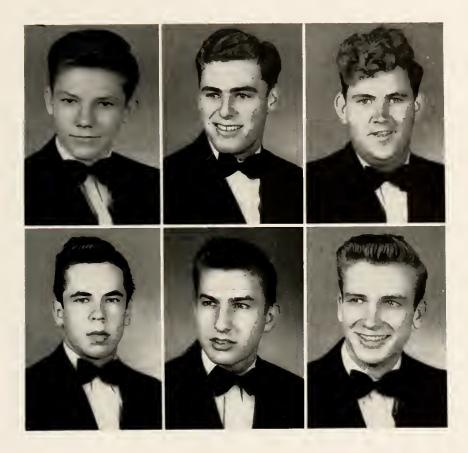
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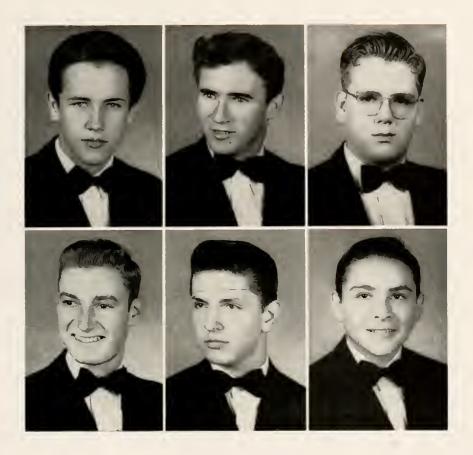
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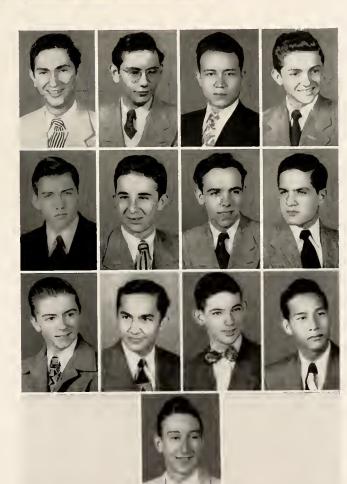
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Art and photography department line up in Contact office. Left to right: Stevenson, Pons, Catsonis, Schultz, J. McCaffery, Raymond.



Colonnese, Bordallo, Weaver, Beam and McCaffery go over Spire accounts.

Had it not been for the following abettors, this edition of Spire may have never found its way into the hands of eager Abbeymen. Orchids from the editor:

HAROLD HOOPER-his was the unromantic lot of business manager.

John Raymond—it was Bill's little brother who produced all of the division pages found herein.

Charlie Stevenson-he hawked the halls with his eamera for a whole semester.

JOHN BEAM—the advertising salesman who could probably sell shampoo to Father Walter.

HARRIE KECK—this genial gent from the Observer Printing House was the editor's friend, guide, and philosopher.

FATHER CUTHBERT-the faculty adviser who may have lost hair but never hope.

Catsonis, Driscoll and the elder McCaffery—they, in addition to other good works, executed all other art work in this issue.

THE BRUMFIELDS-to their credit go all of the individual class pietures.

And to Bordallo, Schultz, Pons, O'Donochue, Weaver, Colonnese, Solari, Vincent, and anyone else who may be responsible in any way for the '49 Spire.

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Editor Graham and Circulation Manager J. McCaffery mushing over last issue of Contact.

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Egerton (under hat), McCaffery, Raymond, and Patty; scandal, art, editorial, and sports in that order.



Clockwise around table: Columnist Alphonso, Vandenberg, Angelo, Russell, Duke, Graef. Background: M. Benitez, Gallagher, Garza, J. Benitez, Sullivan, Schultz.

STUDENT COUNCIL



Clockwise: Pons, Jones, Sherry, Boada, Gallagher, Molo (Sec.-Treas.), Schultz (Pres.), Fakoury (Vice-Pres.), Curran, Graham, Andrychowski, Morris.

Fakoury, Schultz and Molo in Cleric's study.





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V. Rankin undergoing pledge ceremony.

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The Beta Alpha Sigma grew out of a definite need for an organization to foster school enterprises. It is a medium of activity for expressing in a practical and concrete manner: school spirit, student activity, and individual initiative in the best interests of the student body of Belmont Abbey College and Preparatory School. To add to the enjoyment of campus life is its main concern.

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SAINT BENEDICT'S SOCIETY



Seated, lest to right: Patty, Graham, Angelo, Secretary-Treasurer; Father Walter, Moderator; Pons, President; Klosek, Preston. Standing: Frain. Mira, Weiler, Bliley, Boada, Mock, Came, Torres, Wade, Mundy, Vincent, Gallagher.

The Saint Benedict's Society, as old as the College is itself, is an organization composed of students who have chosen the sacred priesthood as their life's work. Its members meet weekly to discuss matters pertaining to the monastic way of life and akin subjects. Possibly the most notable project of the society is the leading of the Missae Recitata at daily Mass.



Fr. Walter, Angelo and Pons in Monastery garden.

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SAINT JOHN BERCHMAN'S SOCIETY



Front row, left to right: Fr. Raphael, Moderator; Boada, Mock, Bliley, Wade, Stuart, Torres. Second row: Pons, Angelo, Souza, Mira, Mundy, Frain. Third row: O'Donoghue, Preston, Graham, Jones, McGonagle, Gallagher. Fourth row: McCaffery, Schultz, Patty, Cencula, Miller.



The Saint John Berchman's Society, founded in 1914, is an organization for the purpose of preparing and training young men to serve and assist at the liturgical services and functions in the Abbey Cathedral.

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CRUSADER MONOGRAM CLUB



Sullivan, Leftwich, Sherry and Rohr back up against trophy case.



JACK SHERRY Pre-	sident
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Dick RohrTree	asurei

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Andrychowski, Auten, Browne, Bybee, Cencula, Dover, Danforth, Delvecchio, Fox, Fortner, Fakoury, Bill Fletcher, Don Fletcher, Frazier, Ford, Gluyas, Graef, Grissom, Hand, Hollar, Hendrix, Archie Johnson, Russell Johnson, Lewis, Lochr, Leftwich, Miller, Patty, Powell, Porvaznik, Pons, Rohr, Solari, Santos, Snider, Springs, Schiappa, Somerville, Sullivan, Sherry, Thomas, Ulasiewicz, White, Wright, Winbauer.

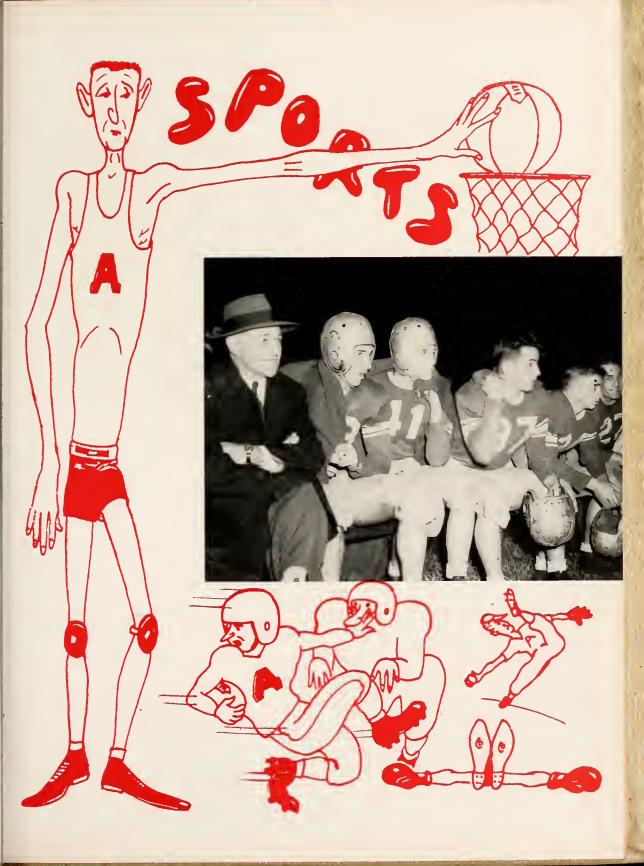


Front row, left to right: Fitzpatrick, Came, Renuart, Berry, Tortajada, McCorkle, Lynch. Second row: Poole, Jones, Culverwell, McGovern, Dunham, Frain. Third row: Palomo, Davis, Lawless, Sherrill, Boada.

RAMBLER MONOGRAM CLUB

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CRUSADER FOOTBALL

Only three lettermen returned to the Crusader lineup this year, and from the more than forty candidates, Coach Howard A. Wheeler and Assistant Coach Jim Elvington had to forge a team to face one of the heaviest schedules ever to confront the Abbeymen.

Learning to work together took time, and the Crusaders found the going tough at first, as they were edged by Gardner-Webb and Conference champions Lees McRae. However, patience, hard work and spirit began to pay off, for against the powerful Tennessee Wesleyan, the Abbey team came into its own. Scoring on the opening kickoff, the Crusaders out-played the big Wesleyan squad, until the Tennessee boys left the field in the middle of the third period, thus forfeiting to the Abbey.

Bruised after their rugged outing with Tennessee only the week before, the Crusaders met undefeated and highly favored Campbell College. But when the smoke of battle had cleared, the Campbell gridders considered themselves lucky to return home with a 19 to 18 win.

"No rest for the weary" could very well be applied to the Crusaders, for they next journeyed to Milledgeville, Georgia, to meet the undefeated Georgia Military College. Here again the Wheelermen met a much heavier and more experienced opponent, and after a rough sixty minutes of play, the Crusaders trailed by seven points.

After a hard-fought season, three Abbeymen, Bill Wright, Ed Andrychowski, and Fred Snider won well-deserved positions on the All-Conference team.

Perhaps the most inspiring aspect of this team was its indomitable spirit and determination under great odds. So, without further ado, we wish to salute the Chusaders of '48-'49.



Patty hands off to Ulasiewitz. Crusader line holds.



WHEELER, Head Coach



Solari, Publicity Director

THE RECORD

Abbey 0
Gardner-Webb 7
Abbey 0
Lees McRae 7
Abbey 1
Tennessee Wesleyan 0
Abbey
Campbell College19
Abbey34
Presbyterian Jr. College 0
Abbey13
Mars Hill12
Abbey 6
Davidson Frosh 6
Abbey 6
Ga. Military College13
Abbey 7
Gardner-Webb 0



ROHR, Captain



Graef, Manager

Danforth's extra point blocked by Davidson end.





THE 1948-49 CRUSADERS



Front row, left to right: Thomas, Danforth, Johnson, Loehr, Lewis, Captain Rohr, Ford, Harkey, Pons, Fortner, Bybee. Second row: Wright, Snider, Petty, Hendrix, Porvaznic, Powell, Sommerville, Miller, Cencula, DelVecchio. Third row: Andrychowski, Hollar, Schiappa, Ulasiewitz, Fletcher, Browne, Fakoury, Auten, White, Frazier.

CRUSADER BASKETBALL

THE RECORD

Crusaders41	C. C. U. N. C 18
Crusaders., 57	C. C. U. N. C 45
Crusaders40	Mars Hill37
Crusaders36	Davidson Frosh44
Crusaders68	Mitchell42
Crusaders 50	Oak Ridge52
Crusaders51	Pfeiffer58
Crusaders 63	Mitchell38
Crusaders60	Gardner-Webb43
Crusaders46	Mars Hill44
Crusaders 31	U. N. C. Frosh 61
Crusaders50	Duke Frosh75
Crusaders36	Gardner-Webb61
Crusaders 51	Pfeiffer54
Crusaders59	Wingate46
Crusaders41	Davidson Frosh 47
Crusaders54	Wingate33
Crusaders50	Spartanburg39
Crusaders36	Spartanburg35
Crusaders54	Oak Ridge52
Crusaders 42	Lees-McRae31
Crusaders41	Campbell College38



The '49 Crusaders rode high this year. For the first time since 1941 Belmont Abbey won a State Championship. Seeded in eighth place, the red clad warriors invaded Asheville, N. C., toppled three strong foes (undefeated Campbell College included) in quick succession, and returned home with the Carolinas' Junior College basketball trophy.

It would be hard to single out any one man to lay the laurels on because they were all stars in their own field, Roscoe Leftwich, with his snappy setups, was a sure bet for All-State honors. Bill Fletcher was the answer to Coach Wheeler's prayers for the perfect floor man, while Cencula and Porvaznic also showed up as flawless floormen.

Jenks Brendle burned up the hoop with his fantastically accurate field goals and Ted Rees played havoc with the opponents' backboard. Captain Dick Rohr proved himself to be valuable as an all around floorman, while Handlon, Bowen, Reinhardt, Jones, and Don Fletcher contributed their share to a most successful season.







GIESELER, Assistant Manager



Seated, left to right: Leftwich, Porvaznic, Handlon, Captain Rohr, Brendle, Cencula, D. Fletcher. Standing: Hendrix, Santos, Blanchard, Reinhardt, Jones, Duke, Bowen, B. Fletcher.



Capt. Rohr, All-State Leftwich, and Coach Wheeler look very happy over newly won trophy.



Jones (30), Reinhardt, and Brendle (32) pose for best action shot of year, C. C. U. N. C. luckless opponents.



CRUSADER GRADS

RAMBLER FOOTBALL

A small group of very green but very determined Abbeymen turned out for the '48 grid season last September. With only six lettermen returning and with a tough six-game schedule ahead of them, Fathers Walter and Dennis had a man-sized job on their hands. After a three-week practice stint, the Ramblers headed toward Concord only to fall before their beefy opponents by a score of 31-7. But that defeat wasn't too bitter a pill for the Junior Crusaders. They realized then, along with the test of the student body, that the old Rambler spirit had come back to the Abbey. They kept up that long hard practice under the boiling Carolina sun, always pointing for victory, but it never came in the next four games. Everyone played an improved game of football, but it just wasn't enough.

After a swing through Augusta, Ga., the Ramblers got ready for their final game—Central "B." As usual, they were dwarfed by the big Charlotte boys, but they were accustomed to this by now. It was in the Central game that the hard practice grinds began to pay off. After a mediocre first half, the Ramblers plucked two TDs and walked away from Charlotte with a win under their belts.

Next year the coaches will again find themselves short of heavy, experienced material. Sousa, Ingold, Dunham, Tortajada, Reiner, Fitzpatrick, McCorkle, Williamson, Poole, Came, Bain, Renuart, Berry and Olaso will leave via cap and gown. We wish them luck.

Although the Ramblers didn't have an outstanding season, they had a successful one. They got together and pulled as a team, and after all, that's the object of the game. Under the fine tutelage of Father Walter and Father Dennis, and under the captaincy of Fitzpatrick and McCorkle, they developed a fierce spirit—a spirit that has always been indicative of Rambler sports.



Ramblers enroute to Augusta.



Front row: Fr. Dennis, Wade, Leeper, Furgeson, Lawless, Sherrill, Frain, Gallagher, Walsh, Boada, McDonnell and Rowan, assistant managers. Second row: Sousa, Ingold, Dunham, Tortajada, Reiner, Fitzpatrick and McCorkle, co-captains; Williamson, Poole, Lynch, Came, Bain, Fr. Walter. Third row: Stevenson, manager; Terlaje, McDougle, Davis, McKinney, Jones, Culverwell, Renuart, Berry, Shaw, McGovern, Olaso, Palomo.



TD number two at Charlotte.

THE RECORD

THE RECORD				
Concord31				
Cramerton26				
Stanley18				
Cramerton 6				
Augusta26				
Central 7				
Belmont56				
Wadesboro 0				

RAMBLER BASKETBALL

Lacking a great deal of height and experience, so necessary to modern basketball, the '49 Ramblers turned in a rather commendable season record. Father Brendan faced the issue squarely and started early in November to mold a team that could compare with the mighty '48 edition of the Ramblers—a Herculean job. But with almost endless practice sessions and plenty of spirit, both on the court and from the stands, hidden talent began to show itself. By the middle of December they were ready to start the long grind that saw them give and take with some of the smartest teams in this section.

To Father Brendan Dooley, O.S.B., goes a great deal of the team's success, for it was this jaunty little priest who stood to the side guiding and advising the Greenmen with his great store of basketball knowledge. To Father Brendan and the entire team go our best wishes and congratulations.





FATHER BRENDAN, Coach

Let's have a look at the record:

Ramblers34	Lowell37
Ramblers22	Concord
Ramblers38	Dallas21
Ramblers45	Tech35
Ramblers20	Cramerton29
Ramblers21	Stanley27
Ramblers27	Belmont37
Ramblers27	Dallas24
Ramblers33	Benedictine (Ga.)48
Ramblers25	Mount Holly32
Ramblers29	Gastonia31
Ramblers41	Tech20
Ramblers39	Belmont30
Ramblers28	Mount Holly27
Ramblers34	Lowell36
Ramblers33	Cramerton52
Ramblers22	Gastonia31

Ramblers vs. Belmont. Moreyra (No. 4) coming on scene.





Seated, left to right: Olaso, Shaw, Fitzpatrick, McCorkle, Lynch, Browne. Standing: Poole (Manager), Moreyra, Williamson, Byrd, Dunham, Sousa (Manager).

Campus Loife...





DANCE COMMITTEE

Seated, left to right: Misses Sarah Gluyas, Sue Jackson, Pat Crowell, Frances O'Donoghue, Kitty Moore, Margaret Penny, Joan Murphy. Standing: Messrs. Fakoury, Gluyas, Eubanks, Rohr, Chairman; Leftwich, Fowler, Graham.





Angelo doubles as ticket taker.



Agnes Tucker and venerable J. Sherry pause at guest book, Gallagher muggs camera.

Frs. Walter and Gregory prove to be social lions of reception line. Mrs. Fakoury, at extreme left, and Father Bernard, at extreme right, only other pictured lions.





(1) Goheen and Sullivan in a most paradoxical pose. Looks like a chiropractic adjustment. (2) "And It Was Siesta." One of those days that Enrique found the sack more restful than English lit. lecture. (3) Mail call brings the friendly-letter writers down to the Dean's office. That's Charlie Wade under Fr. Christopher's wing. (4) Rohr and some of his compatriots flash bright smiles before embarking on G. M. C. trip. (5) Angelo, Lynch and a contented bull. A glowing triumvirate. (6) It's Lynch again, this time with rooster bait. (7) Same location as No. 5, page 70; but from other end. The party's really satiated now. (8) Only existing picture of the Tennessee Weslevan homecoming. Fakoury (49), Francis & John O'Donoghue, Joan Applewhite, and Capt. Rohr. We can't identify the five nice people on the left. (9) The Franklinmobile with it's

daily load of Gastonians. Bernie Curran's "Rite Party" campaign hanner in upper right corner. (10) The Fourth Prep digs in for their annual havride. See No-Evil Gorney holds down the tailgate. (11) Ed Waterbury and one of those long, can't wait-to-see you letters. (12) Little women and big convertible fascinate McKinny and Poole. (13) Gastonia's contribution to Abbey intellectual life: Silver Jenkins, Winnie Rankin, and Hal Sporrier. (14) Young Jim Solari wields hammer as Christ mas Dance project takes shape. Other outstanding Sophs in hackground. (15) Palomo and Terlaje stand on the homecoming byre that burned at the wrong time. Schultz was the assonist, and Molo was the offended one. (16) Morris and White eve the Campbell dummy. Mr. Morris is considering it for Phi Theta Kappa membership.



(1) Dave Gornev's thespians hustle through line and cue practice. Nobody's told Came about a razor vet. (2) Those Sunday night movies. J. Lynch gets a belly laugh off Abbott and Costello, while Dick Bain chews his lower lip. (3) All dressed up and no place to go-typical Abbev week end. They can all go to the third floor and read Tovubee. (4) Prefect Fr. Deunis (formally of Denny's Dungeon) turns chicken thief. The question: How does the price of eggs compare with the wear and tear on the chicken? (5) The picture's pretty minute, but we think it's Graham and Angelo. (6) "Coot" Stewart and Jock Stroupe preparing for introductory physics. (7) 1. P. Strittmatter sips demi tasse ever so daintily, while the crowd says boogie and pianist Graham baugs out Bach. The height of the holiday social season at S. H. C. (8) Blanchard and Egerton, the Southern element of Boom No. 2, St. Leo's Hall. We suspect that Drapo has discovered a semi social disease on Claude, Jr.'s cranium. (9) The Dean moves his sociology lecture to the

avenue. No doubt, he's astounding them with an expose of the neo-paganism of the 20th Century. (10) Another midget. It's Graham again—this time with Fr. Brendan, Klosek and big John Knightly. (11) "Carolina Joe" holds up the Vent line. Renuart should have checked in thirty minutes ago, and Fitzpatrick waits impatiently to throw sweet words westward. (12) Horace Patry, the Asheville square dancer, who was almost twenty until he knew that tobacco could be smoked too. (13) Rat week and all that goes with it. The unfortunates infest Belmont. (14) Toole intimidates some unidentified victim. Perhaps it's Charlie Cloninger. (15) Bird's eve view of the pre-Christmas dance activities. Santos got up enough energy to get the ladder in the picture. (16) Joan Murphy in foreground. Background still holds Miss Cloninger and Pons in same position, J. Fitzpatrick sits under garish golf cap. (17) Palomo wears his school spirit on a sweat shirt.



(1) Two thirds of Fr. Joe's General Physics Lab conduct a resonance experiment. (2) Andrychowski bums free shave. One of Charlie Stevenson's more notable examples of freelance photography. (3) Two well dressel gentlemen and Michael Sullivan. He never found out that it costs no more to go first class. (4) Bordallo and Cloninger prove interesting contrast to Garmon's lanky frame. The hair comecious Frosh are preparing for class pictures. (5) Zeta Lambdas' appetite satiated at annual hanquet. Somebody give Graham a light. (6) "After the Ball

Was Over." This little fish got fried. (7) Frs. John (the terror of Soph English) and Christopher in off-duty attire. (8) McCorkle, Shaw and Leeper embark for one of those fruitless Rambler trips, (9) George Brown, guardian of the Huid Gym, stands aside for the Cramerton crowd. George later shifted his attentions to the rose bushes on the West end of the campus. (10) The milling mid-morning crowd. Fr. Boniface and Todd don't seem to give a hoot about the camera. Stewart doesn't seem to give a hoot about the Rector's smoking rule.



(1) Apparently the conversation has switched from women to ethics-Leftwich is bored. (2) The Davidson game-scene of Browne's left-footed kick. (3) Professor de la Pena's chess lab. Enrique finally finished his siesta. (4) First Prep goes thru paces at Rat Court. (5) Andrychowski rests up before Davidson game. (6) The Spanish speaking contingent. All present except Enrique who interrupted his siesta long enough to snap the picture. Good Neighbor sentiment runs high in these parts. (7) Miss Cloninger (B.S., Peabod Institute) and undergrad Pons pursuing favorite Abbev sport. (8) Messrs. Solari and

Graef and a heated argument about a letter sweater. Peon Solari sports new T-shirt. (9) Angelo and McCafferv, dispense with refreshments at the carbonated cabaret. McGovern throws those nickels around like Breen's hotcakes. (10) Enrique does it again. Arizpe (who frequently wears lizard skin shoes) stands by and kibitzes in a most contemplative manner. (11) Fr. Brendan looking for someone approaching the Crossroads. "Leave us go, gentlemen." (12) The inhabitants of Room No. 6, St. Leo's Hall, examine the remains of the campus' most popular bench. A fast car from the Vent leveled it during the night.

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